

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 24, 26, 28, 63, 65, and 66 are pending in the present application; Claim 24 having been amended and Claim 66 having been canceled by way of the present amendment.

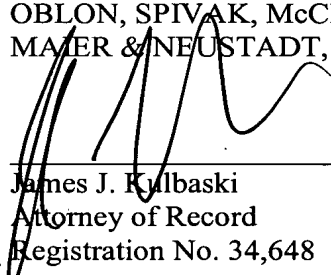
The Advisory Action of April 27, 2007, indicated that the Amendment of February 15, 2007 will not be entered. In response to this Advisory Action, the present amendment has been filed which inserts the word "a" in the last paragraph of Claim 24. Further, Claim 66 has been canceled as this claim contained amendments which would not be entered. The cancellation of this claim is not an admission that the claim is unpatentable but it is not in a form which is ready for appeal.

The present amendment should be entered as it cancels an independent claim, thus reducing the number of issues for appeal. Further, the amendment inserting the word "a" was previously presented but was not entered because it was submitted along with an amendment to Claim 66 which was not entered.

Accordingly, entry and consideration of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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